

March 20, 2017 7:00 P.M.

JONES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

JONES COUNTY AGRICULTURAL BUILDING, 110 MARKET STREET

TRENTON, NC 28585

MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Frank Emory, Chairperson

Mike Haddock, Vice-Chairperson

Zack Koonce, Commissioner

Sondra Ipock-Riggs, Commissioner

Joseph Wiggins, Commissioner

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Franky J. Howard, County Manager

Angelica Hall, Clerk

Brenda Reece, Finance Officer

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

The Chairperson called the meeting to order. Commissioner Zack Koonce gave the invocation.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Joseph Wiggins, seconded by Commissioner Zack Koonce, and unanimously carried **THAT** the agenda be **APPROVED** as presented.

MOTION made by Commissioner Zack Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Joseph Wiggins, and carried **THAT** the minutes for the Regular Meeting on March 6, 2017 be **APPROVED** with the name correction in Item# 6 Dianne Campbell to Deanna Campbell.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

No Comment

1. TAX COLLECTION REPORT

Mr. Franky Howard, County Manager, presented the Board with the Tax Collections Report for February 2017. This is information only. A copy of this report is marked **EXHIBIT A** and is hereby incorporated and made a part of the minutes.

2. LCC BOARD APPOINTMENT

Mr. Franky Howard, County Manager, spoke with the Board about Bobby Daughety's wishes to step down from the Lenoir Community College Board of Trustees. It was recommended as a replacement that Mr. Charley Jones be appointed, which he has agreed to the appointment.

MOTION made by Commissioner Mike Haddock, seconded by Commissioner Zack Koonce and unanimously carried **THAT** Mr. Charley Jones be appointed to replace Mr. Bobby Daughety to fulfill the current term through June 30, 2017 and for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2017 to expire on June 30, 2021. A copy of this appointment letter is marked **EXHIBIT B** and is hereby incorporated and made a part of the minutes.

3. DANGEROUS DOG BOARD APPOINTMENT

Mr. Franky Howard, County Manager, spoke to the Board about the Jones County Dangerous Dog Board and designation. Mr. Howard explained that currently he was the County Designee to deem a dog as dangerous or potentially dangerous and the reason he became the designee was because the Health Department was without a Director. Mr. Howard further explained that in other Counties, the Health Director is the designee along with the County Manager as the person that can make these dog determinations. Mr. Howard informed the Board that he had been in conversation with Wesley Smith, Health Director, and he stated that in Hyde County the designee was the Health Director and the Health Board was the Appeal Board. Mr. Howard recommended to the Board that they add Wesley Smith as a County Official that can make this designation and also make the Health Board the Appeals Board in the rare case someone disagrees with the designation. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Sondra Ipock-Riggs, seconded by Commissioner Zack Koone **THAT** Dr. Stelma, Veterinarian, be appointed to handle all dangerous dogs, **MOTION FAILED** due to no votes. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Joseph Wiggins, seconded by Commissioner Mike Haddock and carried **THAT** Mr. Wesley Smith, Health Director, be added as a County Official to deem a dog as dangerous or potentially dangerous and the Health Board be appointed as the Appeals Board. Commissioner Sondra Ipock-Riggs opposed.

4. BUDGET AMENDMENT #42

Mr. Franky Howard, County Manager, presented the Board with Budget Amendment #42 to keep the County in line with expenditures. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Mike Haddock, seconded by Commissioner Zack Koonce and unanimously carried **THAT** Budget Amendment #42 be **APPROVED** as presented. A copy of the Budget Amendment #42 is marked **EXHIBIT C** and is hereby incorporated and made a part of the minutes.

5. WHITE OAK RIVER ROAD UPDATE

Mr. Franky Howard, County Manager, provided the Board with an update on White Oak River Road. Mr. Howard explained that they will need to specifically submit the section of White Oak River Road as a project through the local RPO (Rural Planning Organization) who in turn ranks the projects among all the regional projects. Mr. Howard stated that he has already begun the process and Commissioner Joseph Wiggins and himself will officially make this request at the next meeting. Mr. Howard pointed out to the Board that the NCDOT Staff stated the project could cost upwards to about \$500,000/mile. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Sondra Ipock-Riggs, seconded by Commissioner Mike Haddock and unanimously carried **THAT** State Road 1116 (White Oak River Road) be submitted and letters go to the DOT in Trenton, Kinston, Greenville, and Raleigh.

6. NCACC DISTRICT MEETING

Mr. Franky Howard, County Manager, informed the Board that there will be a District Meeting held by the NCACC and the closest one is in New Hanover County on April 12, 2017. Mr. Howard also informed the Board that County Assembly Day would be on May 10, 2017.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Franky Howard reported the following to the Board: Cooperative Extension Program Report, April 3, 2017 at 10:00 am, Committee of 100, Thursday March 30, 2017 at 6:00 pm. Mr. Howard also provided the Board with an update on the School Project and the Water Project.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS

Commissioner Joseph Wiggins, asked if the County was changing the vendor we use to clean the water tanks. Mr. Howard informed Commissioner Wiggins that he was not aware of a vendor change and the County was not changing.

Commissioner Mike Haddock, requested a follow-up with Jack Jones going up to the Comfort Library.

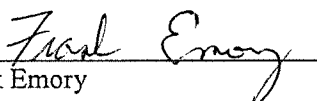
Commissioner Sondra Ipock-Riggs, reported that the gazebo at the Admin building was leaning and needed to be fixed.

Commissioner Zack Koonce, requested an update on the panels for the Commissioner's room and informed the Board that he will be in Cleveland County for a training on the State Sheriffs Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Kyle Koonce, Trenton Fire Department, stated they started the inspection to lower the insurance and they will be back on Wednesday if anyone would like to come out. Mr. Koonce answered several questions from the Board. Mr. Koonce stated that if they pass the inspection they hope the in town ratings will drop from a 6 to a 5 but this would only be a benefit for commercial structures not the residents and for the County Districts, rating would drop from a 9 to a 6 or a 5. This would be a substantial savings for homeowners.

MOTION made by Commissioner Zack Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Joseph Wiggins, and unanimously carried **THAT** the meeting be **ADJOURN** at 8:10 p.m.


Frank Emory
Chairman

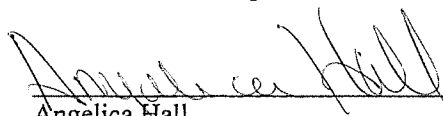

Angelica Hall
Clerk to the Board

EXHIBIT A



COUNTY OF JONES

JONES COUNTY TAX OFFICE

Samuel B. Croom
Tax Administrator

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March 7, 2017

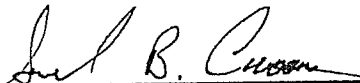
Jones County Tax Collector:

For the Month of February:

2016 Levy Collected by Tax Office:	\$ 214,186.82
2016 Levy Collected by NCVTS:	57,618.39

2007-2015 Levy Collected:	8,511.88
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Total Levy Collected:	<u>\$ 280,317.09</u>
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Samuel B. Croom
Jones County Tax Administrator

2016 Levy	\$ 6,336,986.95
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Collected on 2016 Levy as of 2/28/2017	5,812,541.23
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Other Levy Reduction:

Releases:	31,985.44
Write-Offs:	47.59
Total Levy Reduction:	<u>\$ 5,844,574.26</u>

Percent (%) of Levy Reduced as of 2/28/17:	92.23%
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Percent (%) of Levy Reduced as of 2/29/16:	92.16%
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EXHIBIT B

BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS

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8466 Hwy 41 West
Richlands, NC 28574

MIKE HADDOCK, Vice-Chairperson
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Trenton, NC 28585

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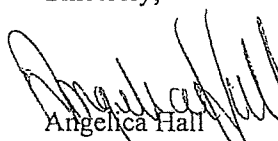
Charley Jones
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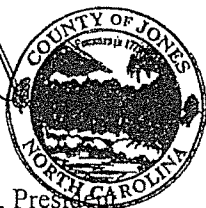
Dear Mr. Jones,

The Jones County Board of Commissioners during their regular meeting on March 20, 2017, appointed you to serve on the Lenoir Community College Board of Trustees to replace Mr. Bobby Daughety who rendered his resignation effective immediately. This appointment is to fulfill the current term of Mr. Bobby Daughety through June 30, 2017 and for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2017 to expire on June 30, 2021.

Thank you for your interest and willingness to serve Jones County in this capacity. Feel free to contact this office if further assistance is needed.

Sincerely,


Angelica Hall
Clerk to the Board



Cc: Dr. Rusty Hunt, President

EXHIBIT C

Budget Amendment

Date: 3/20/2017

Fund: General Fund

Fiscal Year: 2016-2017

Amendment #42

Decrease Expenditures

Bioterrorism/PHP&R	Salaries	11-5189-5121-00	5,760.00
Bioterrorism/PHP&R	FICA	11-5189-5181-00	460.00
Bioterrorism/PHP&R	Retirement	11-5189-5182-00	400.00
Bioterrorism/PHP&R	Hospitalization	11-5189-5183-00	880.00
Total			7,500.00

Increase Expenditures

Bioterrorism/PHP&R	Telephone	11-5189-5321-00	318.00
Bioterrorism/PHP&R	Contract Services	11-5189-5440-13	7,182.00
Total			7,500.00

Chairman

County Manager

Clerk to the Board

Finance Officer